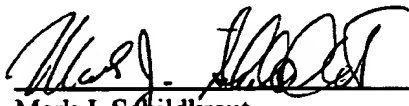


I. CALCULATION OF APPLICATION FEE				
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Independent Claims	24- 3 =	21x	\$80.00/ \$40.00	\$ 840.00
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- ☒ Small entity status is or has been claimed. Reduced fees under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 (f) paid herewith
\$1,753.00.
- ☒ A check in the amount of \$1,753.00 in payment of the application filing fees is attached.
- ☐ Charge fee to Deposit Account No. 13-4500, Order No. _____. A DUPLICATE COPY OF THIS SHEET IS ATTACHED.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required for filing this application pursuant to 37 CFR §1.16, including all extension of time fees pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 for maintaining copendency with the parent application, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-4500, Order No. 3670-4002. A DUPLICATE COPY OF THIS SHEET IS ATTACHED.

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Claims 10, 21, 31, are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Walsh et al as applied to claim 5 and in view of Goto (US: 6044278).

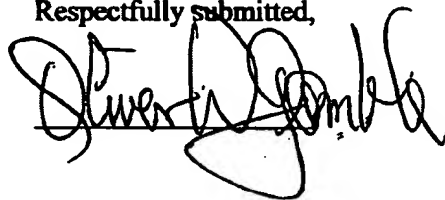
Claims 10, 21, and 31 are allowable as being dependent from an allowable claim

Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

Interview with Examiner

I would like to thank the Examiners for allowing me the opportunity to speak about this application and the Office action on March 31, 2004. I agreed to correct the indefinites that were created by using the phrase "at least one", and to label all diagrams submitted with my patent as indicated by examiner.

Respectfully submitted,



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Please note that this is the second sending of a response to an office action date April 26, 2004. The first mailing was lost by the USPTO. Support Of this Statement is enclosed in the form of certified mailing receipt to the USPTO. Please rush this to examiner Mr. Ming Chow (Art Group 2600). I spoke to Mr. Ming Chow on 7-16-2004, He informed me that my response was lost. I am filing another response by fax to the USPTO.